

DISTRICT HEALTH OFFICER REPLIES TO GEN. HARRIES

Makes Caustic Comment on Syndicate's "Theory" of Special Consideration Because of Quasi-Public Functions Performed.

Dr. William C. Woodward, the District Health Officer, has replied to the letter of Gen. George H. Harries, relative to the report made upon the bill providing for the amendment of the smoke law. General Harries' letter was published in The Times. Dr. Woodward says:

"I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th inst., relative to your promise of July 10, 1901, of 'absolute smoke extinction' at every power plant under your control, and to the continued unlawful emission of smoke from such power plants. The letter containing that promise was embodied in full in the report of the Health Department on K. R. Mill 11,349. Any criticism or complaint arising out of the omission of the date of that letter when the letter was published should be addressed, therefore, to the owners and editors of the newspapers of this city, and not to the Health Department.

"The promise which you then made of 'absolute smoke extinction' was entirely voluntary on your part, and in view of its appearance in a carefully prepared report, was accepted literally by this department, notwithstanding the fact that it meant a degree of smokelessness far in excess of that required by the act for the prevention of smoke, or demanded by the Health Department in the enforcement of that act. It is with regret that the Health Department has received your recent letter intimating that you may not be able to accomplish all that you then promised.

"Your allegation that smoke is emitted unlawfully from the smokestack connected with the District Building is not yet supported by any information in the possession of this department, although inspectors have for some time past kept that stack under special observation, and although you have been requested on more than one occasion to submit to the Health Department the data which you possess, which, in your judgment, supports your allegation. When you claim that 'law-breaking smoke' escapes from the smokestack connected with the U Street pumping station it is manifest that you assume, for the purposes of your letter, even if you do not in the management of your powerhouse, a much higher standard for the enforcement of the smoke law than does the Health Department.

"Smoke does escape from the stack on

the U Street pumping station, but in no instance has prosecution been brought against any citizen or corporation for any emission of smoke such as occurs there. If smoke had been emitted from the smokestack of the U Street pumping station in violation of the smoke law, as that law is administered by the Health Department, it is unlikely that it would have escaped observation, as the Department has particularly observed this stack so that it would not require of anyone anything more than is accomplished by the District Government. Your complaint as to the emission of 'law-breaking smoke' from the smokestack connected with the powerhouse will be investigated.

"The Health Department finds your theory as to the special consideration which should be shown your plants interesting and regrets very much its inability to accept it. The department is under the impression that your corporation exercises its quasi-public functions chiefly for the private profit of its stockholders, and that the amount of such profit is considerably increased by reason of the fact that it holds certain valuable franchises granted gratuitously by the public. The department believes therefore, that will install them at smaller expense than the public interest should require, and that the public interest should be served by the public interest.

"Your exposition of your theory as to the special consideration which should be shown large power plants with varying loads as against smaller plants with more nearly constant loads, fails to mention the comparatively large income or to suggest the comparatively large profits which result from the maintenance of the former class of establishments as compared with the latter. It seems to the uninitiated that the relatively large incomes of such establishments as yours would justify relatively large expenditures for the prevention of smoke. It is of course, not to be expected that smoke-preventing apparatus can be installed at your plants for the same absolute amount of money that will install them at smaller establishments, but the relative proportion between the initial cost of smoke prevention and the gross value of the plants would probably be no greater in the former instance than in the latter.

"In view of the foregoing facts, the Health Department is unable to discover any reason why the various corporations under your direction should not do what less wealthy citizens and corporations have done in order to comply with the law."

TODAY'S PROCEEDINGS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Equity Court No. 1—Justice Hagner—22,641, Jailer vs. American Savings Bank; receivers ordered to restore money to T. J. Sandegren, 22,673, McMahon vs. McMahon; M. Prescott Gattay assigned to defend the cause.

Equity Court No. 2—Justice Bradley—12,257, In re De Bono; reference of committee's accounts to auditor. Circuit Court No. 1—Chief Justice Bingham—Anderson vs. Metropolitan Railway Company and Washington and Great Falls Electric Railway Company; damages; verdict for defendants.

Circuit Court, No. 2—Justice Claiborne—Frisby vs. Baltimore and Ohio Railroad; damages \$5,000, on trial. Criminal Court No. 1—Justice Anderson—Hezekiah Coates, murder, on trial. Probate Court—Justice Barnard—Estate of William F. Robbins; assignment of household goods to wife. Estate of Sidney A. Pritch; final accounting of executors approved. Estate of Elizabeth Schorer; each of surety, bond completed, bond approved and letters issued. Estate of Daniel Reardon; will proved.

Law suits filed—45,301, Paul Garrett, trading under name of Garrett & Co., vs. George N. Lehnman, judgment of Charles S. Bundy, J. P., \$90, 45,302, The Old Town Bank of Baltimore, a corporation, vs. Harry McNulty; notes, \$47,45.

MUSEUM FREAK IN COURT.

Deformed Negro Arraigned on a Charge of Disorderly Conduct.

The spectators in the District branch of the police court witnessed a peculiar sight this morning, when James Barnes, colored, was arraigned to answer a charge of disorderly conduct.

Barnes is one of the attractions in a show. He is about thirty-five years of age, and his legs appear to have no hinges at the knees. Both members are bent forward, while the feet are of diminutive size. He moves on all fours, wearing shoes on his hands.

His body is unusually long, and his back deeply swayed. A couple of policemen certified that he was noisy and profane in O Street alley last night. He pleaded not guilty, but made no other statement in his own behalf.

H. E. Thurston, a show manager, who employs Barnes, said he had much difficulty in securing quarters for Barnes in nearly every town he visited, because of his unfortunate physical condition, and that he was on a hunt for rooms for him and had left him only a few minutes before the arrest.

Mr. Thurston declared that Barnes was not addicted to profanity, and that he was not a disorderly person. He further stated that when he inquired of the policeman why Barnes had been arrested, the officer told him that he had better attend to his own business or he would lock him up, too.

Judge Scott took the negro's personal bond.

Salesman Charged With Securing Money Under False Pretences.

Detective Horne was returned from Baltimore, bringing with him Frank H. Bauman, forty-seven years of age, a salesman by occupation, who is wanted in this city on a charge of having secured \$25 from Miss Florence Endell, of 618 New York avenue northwest, under false pretences. Bauman, it is alleged, stated that he had a draft for a sum of money but could not get it cashed right away. Miss Endell, it is said, advanced him the money, and it is alleged he left the house the next night and never returned. He was released on \$25 collateral for his appearance in court Thursday morning.

Water Main Ordered Laid.

The District Commissioners today ordered that 220 feet of six-inch water main be laid in the south side of Florida Avenue, between Q and North Capitol Streets, at an estimated cost of \$195.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

Fair tonight and Thursday; fresh north to east winds.

TEMPERATURE.
Temperature at 9 a. m. 45
Temperature at 12 noon 56
Temperature at 1:30 p. m. 59

THE SUN AND THE MOON.
Sun rises 5:56 A. M. Sun sets 6:17 P. M.
Moon rises 9:02 P. M. Moon sets 5:02 A. M.

THE TIDE TABLE.
High tide 3:41 A. M. and 4:10 P. M.
Low tide 9:29 A. M. and 9:51 P. M.

STREET LIGHTING.
Lamps lit today 6:56 P. M.
Lamp-out tomorrow 5:02 A. M.

AMUSEMENTS.

National—Audie Russell in "The Girl and the Judge," afternoon and evening. Columbia—Mrs. Patrick Campbell, afternoon. "Magna," evening. "Mrs. Ebb-smith."

Lafayette—"Jane," afternoon and evening. Chase's—Polite vaudeville; afternoon and evening. Academy—"A Homespun Heart," evening. Kernan's—Imperial Burlesquers, afternoon and evening.

Empire—Sandow's Own Company, afternoon and evening.

RUMORS DENIED BY ARCHBISHOP SBARETTI

Declares He Is Not to Succeed Cardinal Martinelli.

To Leave by Monday for the Philippines. Settlement of Friars' Claims of Secondary Interest.

Archbishop Sbarretti, the papal delegate to the Philippines, whose coming to this country was heralded by stories that he was to succeed Cardinal Martinelli, as papal delegate to the United States, has requested a denial of all such rumors. Mr. Sbarretti arrived in New York from Rome on Monday, reaching here yesterday afternoon, to be the guest of Cardinal Martinelli. His stay here will be very short. He has paid his respects to the Government officials, he expects to leave by Monday for his post in the Philippines.

Mr. Sbarretti refuses absolutely to discuss his mission and says he has nothing in the nature of a papal bull to promulgate. The disposition of the friar lands in the Philippines is one of the serious questions with which Mr. Sbarretti will have to deal. It is understood that he will be given the views of the Administration respecting this question before he leaves. His mission, however, is more of an ecclesiastical nature than a business one, and the disposition of the friar lands will require second consideration to the general needs of the Catholic Church in the Philippines.

VETERANS TENDER SERVICES.

Spanish War Men Interested in Arlington Memorial Dedication.

Col. Lee M. Lipscomb, commander of the District of Columbia Corps, Spanish War Veterans, issued a general order today announcing the appointment of Capt. Francis B. Wheaton, commander of Henry W. Lawton Company, to be corps auditor, vice Anthony Holmes, resigned. He also announced the appointment of J. Walter Mitchell to be A. D. C. on the commandant's staff, and assistant corps adjutant. The latter is the present adjutant of Gen. Nelson A. Miles Command, No. 1, and was the principal organizer of, and second captain commanding, that organization.

It was also announced that the District Corps, Spanish War Veterans; the armed guard, ladies' auxiliaries, and band have tendered their services to the National Society of Colonial Dames of America, in connection with the forthcoming dedication of the monument at Arlington in honor of the American soldiers who died during the war with Spain. The council of administration of the District Corps will hold a meeting in a few days to make definite arrangements for this event.

Stricken in a Store.

About 10 o'clock this morning Albert Pinnacore, fifty-six years of age, who lives at 974 Florida Avenue northwest, was taken ill in a store at 504 Twelfth Street northwest. He was removed to the Emergency Hospital in the police ambulance for treatment.

NEWS AND GOSSIP FROM GEORGETOWN

A Little Girl's Painful Accident While at Play.

Exciting Runaway on N Street—Reno Council's Trip to Anacostia—Keane Council to Give a Ball.

Grace Kitchen, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kitchen, of 1666 Valley Street northwest, while playing in front of her home Monday evening with a stick in her mouth, fell, and the stick was driven back into her throat, inflicting a deep cut. She was taken to the Georgetown University Hospital, where the wound was treated. The physicians found it necessary to etherize the child before the wound could be sewed. She was taken back to her home by her father.

An exciting runaway occurred yesterday shortly after noon. A two-horse team belonging to James O. Caton & Sons, contractors, of 1650 West Market Place, became frightened near the corner of Thirty-first and N Streets, and ran down N Street at a high rate of speed. On reaching Twenty-seventh Street the horses attempted to turn the corner, and the wagon struck a lamp-post, breaking it off close to the ground. The horses escaped uninjured and the wagon was not slightly damaged.

The members of Reno Council, of Tenleytown, attended the reunion of the Local Council last night at Masonic Hall, in Anacostia. A special car was chartered for the trip. Several prominent speakers were present, among whom were Representative Blackburn. Covers were spread for about two hundred.

A ball will be given on the evening of April 21 by Keane Council No. 353 at National Rifle Armory. The proceeds will

be turned into the treasury of the House of the Good Shepherd.

The funeral of Mr. J. Edward Gross will take place tomorrow morning. Rehearsal mass will be celebrated at Trinity Church at 9 o'clock. Mr. Gross died Monday night at his residence, 2517 N Street northwest, after an illness of about one week from pneumonia. Four little children and his widow survive.

An aged colored man was found lying ill at the corner of Thirty-second and Grace Streets last night by Policeman John R. Lintier. He was identified as Bladen Corbin, of 521 Third Street southwest, and was taken to his home in a patrol wagon.

The Corner view yesterday the remains of Mrs. Mary L. Ball, who was found dead in bed Monday morning at her home, 1053 Warehouse Alley, yesterday and decided that death was due to apoplexy, and issued a certificate accordingly. The funeral will take place tomorrow.

The Georgetown "Preps" defeated the class of 1904 team yesterday afternoon in a hotly contested game of baseball, on the little boys' field. The score was 13 to 9.

Marriage Licenses Issued.

Harry H. Sherwood and Augusta E. Conradis.
Harry L. Hyndman, New York city, and Ida Belle Talbot.
William S. Ayres, Jr., and Louise A. Dahl.
Andrew Williams and Luhera Turner.
Robert Phillips and Ida Wall.
Thomas Tyler and Lavonia Reed.
James G. L. Arnold and Eva L. Dixon.

Furniture Stored in Fireproof Warehouse of Union Trust and Storage Company at lowest rates for best service. Main office, 1414 F Street.

New Furniture at Auction.

A fine line of new furniture for all parts of the household will be sold at Sloan's, 1907 G Street, today, at 10:30 a. m.; also carpets and matting.

Norfolk & Washington Steamboat Co.

Delightful trips daily at 6:30 p. m. from foot 7th St. to Old Point Comfort, Norfolk, Virginia Beach, and Newport News. See ad. page 7.

Great Sale of Boys' and Children's Clothing at Auction Prices.

—This great sale reaches its highest pitch during these last few days before Easter. We told you how we bought the Holtzman stock of Boys' and Children's high-grade clothing at auction. Well, we're turning the goods over to you at genuine auction prices, too.

Boys' 2-Piece Suits at Auction Prices.

LATEST SPRING CREATIONS.
Boys' \$5.00 2-piece Suits.....\$1.29
Boys' \$3.50 2-piece Suits.....\$1.39
Boys' \$4.00 2-piece Suits.....\$1.49

Boys' Vestee Suits at Auction Prices.

NOBBY PATTERNS—BEST FABRICS.
Boys' \$4.00 Vestee Suits.....\$1.39
Boys' \$4.50 Vestee Suits.....\$1.69
Boys' \$5.00 Vestee Suits.....\$1.89

Youths' Spring Suits at Auction Prices.

LONG PANTS LATEST STYLES.
Youths' \$7.00 Suits.....\$2.50
Youths' \$10.00 Suits.....\$4.50
Youths' \$12.00 Suits.....\$6.00

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—We are offering you men the greatest bargains of the season in stylish, high-class clothing for Easter wear. It's the way we buy that enables us to sell at such surprisingly small prices.

Men's Suits.

Men's 7.50 Spring Suits.....\$3.98
Men's \$10.00 Spring Suits.....\$4.98
Men's \$12.50 Spring Suits.....\$5.98
Men's \$15.00 Spring Suits.....\$6.98

Men's Overcoats.

Men's "Sample" Spring Overcoats—unavailable under \$25—going for.....\$9.50
Men's \$15 Spring Overcoats.....\$5.00

Men's Pants.

1,000 pairs Men's All-wool Pants—new pattern, actually worth \$2.50—going for.....\$1.29
500 pairs Men's Elegant Worsted Pants—\$4 value—going for.....\$1.98

Prince Albert Suits.

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Easter Hats. The celebrated "Pan Tourist" Hats—all the go for this season. PRICES, \$1.25 and \$1.50. The famous "Porto Rico" Hats, in grey and black shades. A leader for.....\$1.90
The "Tidy Special"—a \$6 Soft Hat which we're selling for.....\$2.90
Derbies, in all the leading styles—high crowns, broad cuts. Our spec. \$2.00 special leader for.....\$2.00
Boys' "Pan Tourist" Hats, in 98c black and grey. Special.....98c
Men's Hosiery. Double-knit Merized 23c
Hose for.....23c

Easter Neckwear.

A handsome assortment of Men's and Boys' Neckwear, in an endless array of patterns. PRICES FROM 25c to 40c.
Men's Underwear. Medium-weight Spring Underwear, derby ribbed. Regular 75c values for.....48c
Negligee Shirts. The largest stock of Negligee Shirts in the city. Our leader is a plated-lemon Negligee Shirt, with detachable collar, for.....50c

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Easter Cards.

Booklets. Bookmarks.

Our Millinery.

We must doze on the word "our," because such millinery as we are showing this season is impossible to get elsewhere. Our styles are so different, many being so exclusively our own that but one of a kind is shown, and when that style is sold, it wipes out that particular effect. This beautiful weather is surely a reminder that new Easter headgear is the winning card. We would very much like to have you to call and inspect the line of hats, toques, and bonnets that we have on display. Millinery parlors, second floor.

Easter Gloves for women, misses, and children.

Our line represents the best of foreign and domestic makes. We are prepared for the greatest kind of an Easter rush in hand coverings, both as to stock and service. The best always leads with us, so here's what we offer: The "Peerless," which is our own brand, is made of genuine French lamb-skin glove—they are finished with two clasps, and are shown in all the new colorings, as well as white, black, and extreme light shades, per pair.....\$1.00

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Women's lace walking gloves in the new grey shades, plique, stitched with red, on large pearl clasp which is one of the latest fads—per pair.....\$1.50

Women's lightweight mocha gloves 1. the new shades of beaver and grey, stitched with Paris points—que and oversaw sewed—also new, at per \$1.00 pair.

Women's Glace Walking Gloves, plique stitched—one pearl clasp—in shades of mocha, grey, and white, at per pair.....\$1.00

Women's genuine French Lace Glace Suede and Kid Gloves in three special qualities, in colors as well as black and white, per pair.....\$1.75, \$1.50, and \$1.00

Fowne's Celebrated Glace Kid Gloves, plique sewed, with two clasps, in white, black, mode and beaver, at per pair.....\$1.50

Trefousse Genuine French Kid Gloves in black glaze, a very fine hand covering, made with two clasps—per pair.....\$2.00

Washable Glace Kid Gloves in white, pearl, mode, tan and beaver—all sizes, per pair.....\$2.00

Women's Back Genuine French Suede Kid Gloves, all hand sewed perfect in fit and workman—per pair.....\$1.75

Misses' and Children's Glace Kid Gloves, in two qualities, such shades as tan, brown, beaver, and white, per pair.....\$1.00 and 75c

Fowne's Celebrated Pique-sewed one-clasp Kid Gloves for children. Paris point stitched—per children 1 to 5 years, per pair.....\$1.00

A special lot of Women's Glace Kid Gloves made with two metal clasps—new spring colorings—also white and black, per pair.....65c

Women's "Viennese" Suede Lisle Thread Gloves—sizes as reliable as the kid qualities, in white, black, mode, beaver, and grey, per pair.....50c

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